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Please find below the reply on your letter dated March 11, 2009.

1. Section „Drawings”.

1.1. Your requirement that „*the drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims*”, is fulfilled. The amended Claims (enclosure 1) comprises all the features, which were shown on the initially filed Drawings, excepting the feature „a cylinder-piston unit”. On the Fig. 1 of corrected Drawing (enclosure 2) and on the replaced page 6 of the description (enclosure 3) this feature is marked by the number 31.

1.2. We call your attention to the fact, that the invaginator in the shape of a thin-walled tube, everted under the fluid pressure, is represented on the drawings by number 15 - a non-everted part and number 16 - an everted part.

2. Section „Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112”.

The amended Claims (enclosure 1) are accepted in the European Patent Office.

3. Section „Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102”.

3.1. Paragraph „In regard to claims 1, 3 and 11-12”.

Opposing of U.S. Pat. 5,370,610 (Reynolds) is ungrounded. Reynolds discloses not an intestinal intubator with drain and irrigator, but a multi-lumen drainage tube, intended for wounds. Its introducing does not need any explanations. But atraumatic intubation of intestines, in particular – of 1,6 meters long colon having not less than 5 bends + is a problem. We have solved it in accordance with the principle „pull-and-push”. In connection with intubation, as well as in connection with the problem of evacuation of colon contents, our complex comprises:

- a thin-walled tube everted under the fluid pressure, where the everted part (16) ... (see the continuation in the prior-art portion of the amended claim 1),
- a hose (19) with punctures, enclosed in the drain (17) ... – see the characterising portion of the amended claim 1,
- a hose (18) with punctures enclosed in the non-everted part (15) of said thin-walled tube – see the amended claim 2,

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- a tube (20), where the end of said tube is joined with the end of the non-everted part (15) of the thin-walled tube and the drain (17) - see the amended claim 3,
- a cylinder-piston unit (31) ... (see the continuation in the amended claim 4).

In the system by Reynolds there is not neither a thin-walled tube (15, 16) everted by the fluid pressure, nor hoses (18 and 19). Those, as against the multi-lumen drainage tube, have no lumen. There is no also a cylinder-piston unit in Reynold's disclosure. In a functional sense the Reynold's system also could not be considered as an analogue of this invention.

3.2. Paragraph „In regard to claims 2 and 4”

The statement is ungrounded, as neither in description, nor on the Fig. 1, 2 by Reynolds there is not neither a thin-walled tube everted under the fluid pressure and comprising a drain, nor their intractor, nor a reel.

3.3. Paragraph „In regard to claim 5”

The statement is ungrounded, as neither in description, nor on the Fig. 2 by Reynolds there is not neither a thin-walled tube everted under the fluid pressure, nor a spiral-knitted drain.

3.4. Paragraph „In regard to claims 6 and 10”

The statement is ungrounded, as neither in description, nor on the Fig. 4 by Reynolds there is not neither a thin-walled tube with drain, everted under the fluid pressure, nor a drain enclosing a hose with or without punctures, nor the hoses itself.

The hose (19) according to this invention combines the unique functions: at feeding of liquid pressure into it, the hose recanalizes the drain (17) and irrigates the intestine; in the draining mode the hose (19) does not have lumen and practically does not occupy a place in the drain (17).

3.5. Paragraph „In regard to claim 7”

The statement is ungrounded, as neither in description, nor on the Fig. 2 by Reynolds there is no a thin-walled tube everted by fluid pressure, which repeats the form of a drain, enclosed therein.

Enclosures:

1. The Amended Claims
2. The Corrected Drawing 1/2
3. The replaced page 6 of description

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